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Sub-Assistant Surgeons—
Rs. 80—5—150.

"In view of the limited finances of the local bodies, their employees are given lower scales of pay than under Government."

Harijan hostels in district headquarters.

* 1012 *Q.*—SRI P. VENKATASUBBIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to take over the management of the Harijan hostels at the district headquarters, and if so, the reasons for such a move?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" No."

Service conditions of village officers.

* 1013 *Q.*—SRI P. VENKATASIVIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the village officers are classed as whole-time paid servants of the State or as part-time honorary servants; and

(*b*) if they are whole-time servants whether all the service rules and leave, pay and allowance, conditions as are applicable to that category of personnel apply to them also?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) The village officers are not regarded as whole-time Government servants but only as part-time Government servants.

" (*b*) As they are only part-time Government servants the service rules or conditions referred to do not apply to them."

Acquisition of land for Rani's Hospital, Pudukkottai.

* 1014 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a portion of land belonging to the Pudukkottai Town-Hall Trust had been acquired by the then Government for expansion of the Rani's Hospital in Pudukkottai division, Tiruchirappalli district;

(*b*) if so, when acquired, and what extent;

(*c*) the total cost of such acquisition;

(*d*) whether the cost has been paid to the Town-Hall Trust; and

(*e*) if not, why not and when the Government propose to pay the cost of the trust?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) An extent of 186 kulis or 62 cents was acquired in 1947.

" (*c*) Rs. 12,409–14–0.